Proposition 84 Statewide Park Program – Round One



Trust for Public Land \$4,999,468

Monitor Avenue Park

This project will create the new Monitor Avenue Park in Watts, Los Angeles through the acquisition and development of 1.05 acres, and construction of new walkways, open space lawn area, playground, fitness equipment, skate spot, picnic area with shade covers, fencing, and lighting.

Through community based planning meetings, youth, seniors, and families selected these features. Additional design ideas from residents to be included in the project are:

- Open green space, and durable fitness equipment.
- Place skate area at the Northern end of the park, place the walking path around the perimeter, place exercise equipment close to children's playground, spread picnic tables throughout the site.
- Exclude restrooms and basketball courts from the park, keep sightlines open through the park, no fencing around the park, but have one tall fence between park and metro trains.
- Residents will create painted and broken tile mosaics inlaid into the central walkways, seat wall, and skate area.
- 25-40 residents will create the art for the central walkway, seat wall, and skate area, 25-40 residents will plant trees, 34 youth from Los Angeles Conservation Corps will participate in the park's construction, 10 residents through the Watts Labor Community Action Committee will receive employment/job training.

The project will include these sustainable techniques:

- Use efficient irrigation system with evapotranspiration and soil moisture sensors.
- Create permeable area under playground for water infiltration, grading and drainage plan will keep all water on site, use swales along the Eastern edge.
- Site amenities will include recycled content.
- Use native, drought tolerant plants.
- Use solar or LED lighting, locally sourced materials, and low/no VOC paints.

The park will be open daily from dawn through dusk. No fee will be charged for park use.







